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Applicant: Bahija JALLAL et al.

Title: DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF PTP04 RELATED DISORDERS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Art Unit:

Prior to examination of the present Application, Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be amended as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, delete the 1st full paragraph, and replace this paragraph with the following in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121. A marked up version showing changes is attached:

This application is a Divisional of Application Serial No. 09/081,345 filed on May 19, 1998, which claims priority to the U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/047,222, by Jallal et al., entitled "Diagnosis and Treatment of PTP04 Related Disorders." and filed May 20, 1997, which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety, including any drawings.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please delete claims 1-9 and 13-22.

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request that the foregoing amendments be made prior to examination of the present application.

Respectfully subr

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

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